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CIGARETTE BOX.

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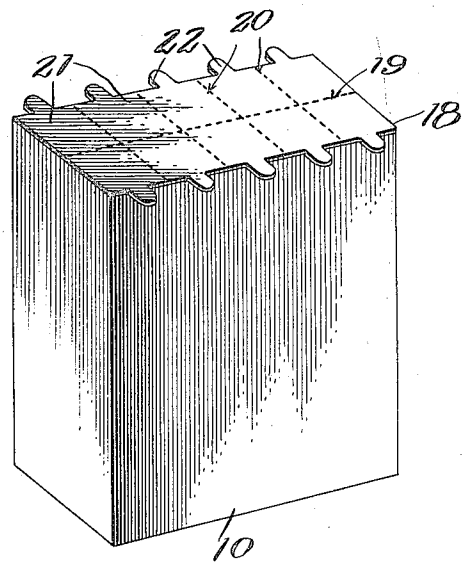


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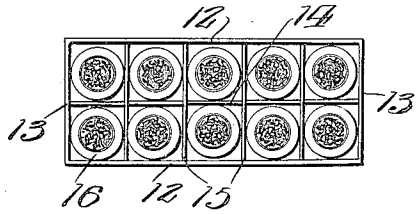
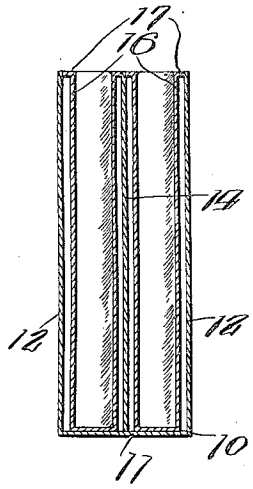


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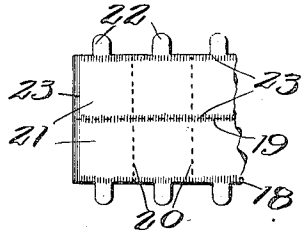


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES M. BALDWIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hudson Falls, in the county of Washington, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cigarette-Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to paper receptacles and has particular reference to new and useful improvements in cigar and cigarette containers.

My invention has for its primary object the provision of a cigarette and small cigar container having a plurality of partitions forming compartments and a plurality of cartridges or cells receivable in the compartments and adapted to carry the article to be packed.

Another object of my invention is to provide a cigarette box of the class described which is simple in construction, may be cheaply manufactured and will maintain the articles separated.

A further object of my invention is to provide a novel and useful form of sealing cover for the container whereby the articles may be maintained in good condition and in semi-airtight compartments, yet being readily accessible.

Other objects of my improved cigarette box not set forth in the foregoing will appear from the following detailed description and the claims, taken with an inspection of the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cigarette box embodying the improvements of my invention;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same with the cover removed;

Fig. 3 is a transverse vertical sectional view; and

Fig. 4 is a fragmental plan of the under surface of the cover.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, wherein similar characters of reference designate like and corresponding parts throughout the various views, 10 designates in its entirety the body of my improved box, the same having a bottom 11 and side and end walls 12 and 13, respectively.

A longitudinal partition 14 is arranged within the box 10 to form two elongated chambers, said chambers being sub-divided into compartments by means of the transverse partitions 15. The partitions 15 are adapted to receive the article containers or cells 16, hereinafter referred to as "cartridges." The outer ends of the cartridges 16 are formed with flanges 17 to maintain the same evenly within their respective compartments.

I provide a novel form of cover or closure for my improved cigarette container, the same being formed from a blank 18 of paper or the like, a longitudinal line of perforations 19 being formed in the blank and extending throughout the length thereof. A plurality of transverse perforations 20 intersect the perforations 19 forming cover sections 21. The lines of perforations 19 and 20 correspond with the partitions 14 and 15 hereinbefore described. From each of the cover sections 21 a finger engaging tab 22 projects, the same normally lying along the side walls 12 of the box. The blank 18 is placed in sealing or closed position on the upper end of the box 10, said blank being provided with gummed portions 23 along the margins thereof and adjacent the line of perforations 19 so that said blank may be effectively secured to the upper margins of the side and end walls of the box.

To extract an article from the box one of the tabs 22 is grasped and one of the sections 21 removed from the blank 18 along one of the lines of perforations. Access may now be readily had to the cartridge the same being withdrawn from its compartment and the cigarette or similar article extracted therefrom for use.

In the use of my improved cigarette box, when one cigarette is extracted from the box the other cigarettes are not disturbed, there being no danger of damage to the cigarette owing to the same becoming dislodged in the box or package as often happens in the packages as now constructed. I desire to lay particular stress upon the sectionalization of the cover and the provision of independent cartridges for containing the cigarettes or the like.

Of course, while I have described my invention as preferred for use in packing cigarettes and the like it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to the use as specified, and while I have shown and described the invention as embodying a specific structure and arrangement of parts I desire that it be understood that such

changes may be made in said structure as do not depart from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. In a cigarette box, the combination of a containing body provided with a longitudinal partition and a plurality of transverse partitions forming compartments, a plurality of cigarette cartridges receivable in said compartments, a sectionalized top or closure for said box formed of a blank perforated longitudinally and transversely to form sections, and finger engaging tabs formed integrally with said sections to facilitate removal of the same to obtain access to the cigarettes.

2. In a cigarette box, the combination of a containing body provided with a longitudinal partition and a plurality of transverse partitions forming compartments, a plurality of cigarette cartridges receivable in said compartments, a top for said box including a blank formed with a plurality of longitudinal and transverse perforations providing sections corresponding with said compartments, said blank having gummed portions to engage the margins of the box and one of said partitions, and a plurality of finger engaging tabs extending from the sections of said blank to facilitate removal of one of the same to gain access to the contents of the box.

3. In a cigarette box, the combination of a containing body having a plurality of partitions arranged therein forming compartments, a sectionalized top arranged complementally to said partitions and provided with gummed portions engaging certain of the partitions and the margins of said box, means to facilitate removal of one or more of the cover sections, and a plurality of cartridges receivable in said compartments, said cartridges being provided with annular flanges to maintain the same evenly within their respective compartments.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature hereto.

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